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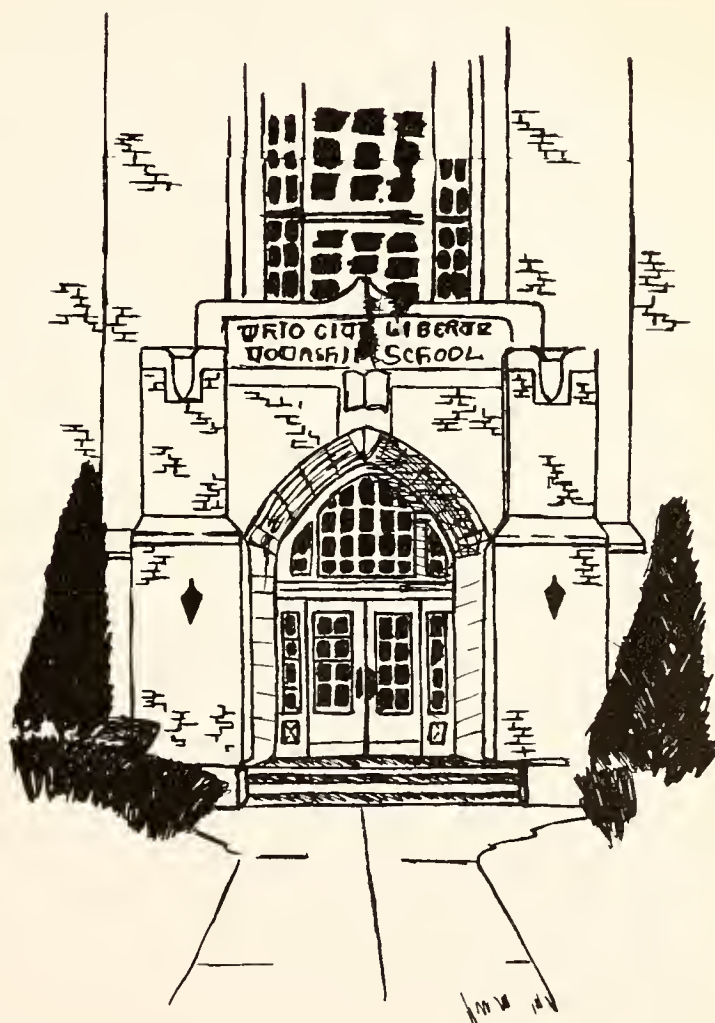
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CLASS OF '53'



# DEDICATION



Mr. "Dad" Leiendecker, in sincere admiration of one who has been a friend, counsellor, and leader, we the Senior Class of 1953, dedicate this yearbook to you.

# BOARD of EDUCATION



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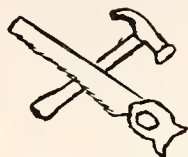


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Grade Six



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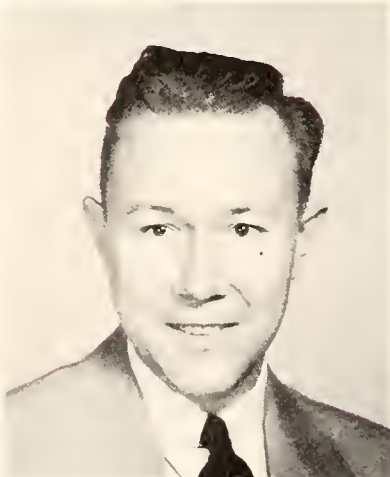


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Nellie Price  
Grade Seven

Maude Emerick  
Grade Five



Donald Hoblet  
Grade Eight



Ethel Bennett  
Grade Four



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Mrs. Florence Putman  
Grade Three

3

Mrs. Emma Witten  
Kindergarten



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Mrs. Mary Smalley  
Grade Two

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Mr. Lawrence Evans  
Music Department



Mrs. Marie Wolf  
Grade One

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## CUSTODIANS

Lloyd Kohn and Alys Rice



## LIBRARIAN

Phyllis Shaw



## BUS DRIVERS

K. V. Green, Roy Witten,

Don Hadley, Dave Leleendecker,

Willis Lechleidner, Don Hoblet, absent.



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Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Eller

# COOKS

Mabel Ames  
Beulah Rowland



CAFETERIA

# SENIORS

Don  
Keber,  
President



Thelma  
Gephart,  
Treasurer



Marlene  
Wallace,  
Secretary



Ned  
Scheidt,  
Vice President



SITTIN'  
PRETTY

JUST  
SITTIN'





# CLASS HISTORY

After twelve years of hard work, success, and determination, we stop to take inventory and see who is left. Let's see--in the fall of 1942 we started our long journey with 35 class members.

When we entered Junior High, we thought that we were progressing fast, but that was small in comparison with our first year of high school.

There were 31 of us roaming the halls of O.C.L. on a bright September morning in 1949 to start our long drive toward graduation. At first we acted like "greenies" but it didn't take long for us to learn the ways and methods of high school life. To direct our paths during the first year we chose Bob Good as president and Mr. Fleck as our sponsor and co-helpers; Jack Smalley, Janet Walls, and Ned Scheidt.

To begin our second year we still had 31. This year we chose Iris Baker and Mr. Fleck as our directors and co-helpers; Marlene Wallace, Rosalind Bigham, and Betty Brubaker.

Our class colors, flower, and motto were chosen this year. Wine and white as our colors and the wine rose as our flower were chosen to be our emblems. Our motto is "To Rise after Falling is Glory."

As happy go lucky Juniors we chose Don Keber as our president and Miss Spoon as advisor. They were assisted by Bob Brand, Marlene Wallace, and Janet Walls.

The big highlights of this year were the Junior and Senior Prom which we gave in honor of those who tread the road ahead of us and our Junior class play "You'll Die Laughing."

As the 1952 school term rolled around we found ourselves as Grand Old Seniors. After taking inventory and balancing the books, we found that there were 29 of us still left for graduation. We re-elected Don Keber as president and to help him carry the load we chose Ned Scheidt, Marlene Wallace, Thelma Gephart, and Mr. Leiendecker as sponsor. Bob Good and Jack Smalley published a book on our activities.

To help build up our treasury we held bake sales, concessions, raffles, and sold magazines.

After much hard work we are about to attain our goal--graduation. We hope to continue on until we have achieved success in each of our chosen fields.



# LAST WILL and TESTAMENT

To whom it may concern we the Senior Class of 1953, of the Ohio City-Liberty High School, being of unsound mind, and memory and realizing that we must part with life here, do hereby pronounce this our last will and testament

These personal items are to be disposed of as follows:

I, Bob Good, do hereby will my position as annual editor to two girls who were foolish enough to take it.

I, Marlene Wallace, will my position as Y-Teen President to Ellen Stump and my good times in school to those following.

I, Wavel Taylor, will my ability to keep the bench warm during a basketball game to Roger Snyder, and all my girls to Albert Hoffman.

I, Donald High, will my hot rod ideas to William Clark that he may be a racer someday and to any boy my ability to ask a girl for a date.

I, Melvin Fickert, will my last testament to John Hoffman for getting along with Miss Dull when he takes Project I.

I, Lloyd Tolan, will my ability to play musical horns to Bill Clark, and the endless mystery of women to Don Hadley.

I, Dick Galloway, bequeath my position in the shower room to Darrell Brand, and my typing ability to Tom Ainsworth.

I, Ellen Schaadt, will my long hair to Kaye Roller.

I, Ned Scheidt, do hereby will my old used oil filters to Donald Hadley and partially used cakes of soap to David Leiendecker.

I, Don Keber do hereby will my cap gun to Charlie Putman in hopes he will have as much fun with it as I did, but reserve the right to carve H. W. in the desks to myself.

I, Bill Army, do hereby will my pink striped shorts and my old brake lines to William Clark.

I, John Cramer, will the static in my car radio to Pete Long

I, Jack Smalley, will my ability to do less work in more time than anyone else in school to Norman Moore.

I, Jim Clouse, do hereby will my red hair and boots to Bill Stutz.

I, Pauline Hofmann, do hereby will my old Shorthand book to Nancy Spahr with hopes she can do better than I did.

I, Lois Beach, do hereby will my ability to get to school just before the tardy bell to Marcia Walters in hopes it does her more good than it does me.

I, Janet Walls, do hereby will my position as cheerleader to anybody who has the will and ambition but wish to keep a certain boy for myself.

I, Patty Hunter, do hereby will my old worn out Government book to anybody wishing to study for tests given by Mr. Lechleidner surprisingly and my shortness to Wanda Kohn.

I, Iris Baker, do hereby will my position as business manager of the Totem Pole to anyone who likes to write checks and my ability to stay out late to anyone who likes to have a good time.

I, Joanne Eber, do hereby will my ability to play the boogie-woogie to Mr. Leiendecker in hopes that he gets as much kick from it as I do.

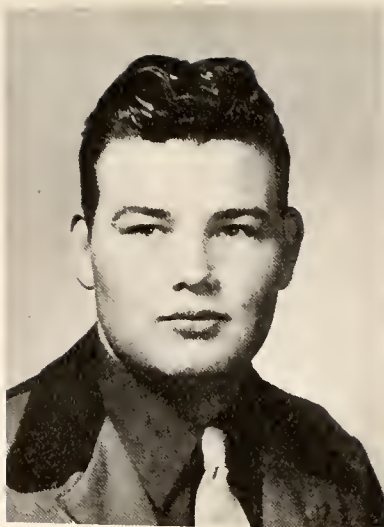
I, Bob Brand, do hereby will my ability to stay out late during basketball season to anyone who thinks they can handle it without getting caught.

I, Rosalind Bigham, do hereby will my position as mimeograph operator to anyone who can an "old Crank" as long as I have.

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Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Totem-Pole 1, 4  
 Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4  
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*Charles Clouse*

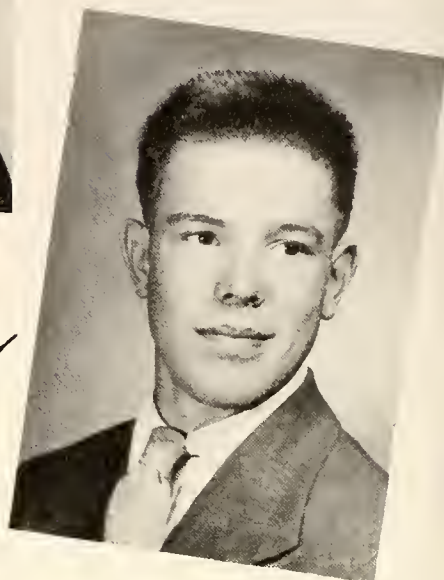


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 F.F.A. 4

*Bill Henry*

Chorus 1, 2, 4  
 Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4  
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 Student Service 4.

*Jim Clouse*

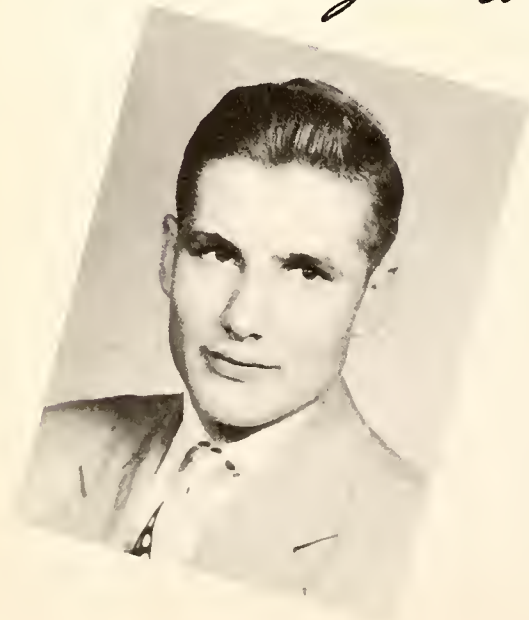


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 Stage Crew 1, 2, 3  
 F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4  
 F.F.A. Secretary 4  
 Totem Pole Staff 3  
 Annual Staff 4  
 Class Play 3  
 Chorus 3, 4.

*John Cramer*

Y-Teens 1  
 Band 1, 2, 3, 4  
 State Scholarship Test 2  
 D.A.R. Citizenship Test 4  
 Librarian 2, 3, 4  
 Make-Up-Crew 3, 4  
 Make-Up-Chief 4.

*Lois Luella Beach*



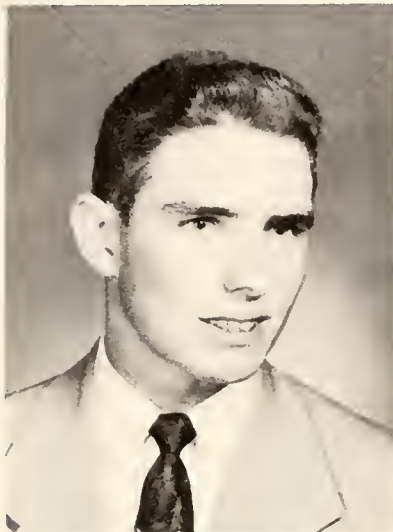


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 FHA 2, 3, 4  
 Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Class Play 3  
 Totem Pole Staff 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Chorus 4  
 Librarian 1, 2, 4  
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 Sgt. -at-arms Y-Teens 2  
 Junior Red Cross 4.  
 Librarian 1, 3  
 Pres. 2  
 Council of Presidents 2  
 State Scholarship Tests 1, 2, 3  
 Jr. Red Cross Rep. 3  
 D.A.R. Citizenship Test 4,  
 Girls Chorus 1, 4  
 Senior Scholarship Tests 4  
 Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Inter-club council 3, 4  
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 Make-up 4  
 O'Citian 4  
 Totem Pole 2, 3, 4.



*Iris Baker*

*Rosalind Bigham*



Head Librarian 4  
 Librarian 2, 3, 4  
 Red Cross Council 2  
 Makeup crew 3, 4  
 Class Play 3  
 D.A.R. Citizenship Test 4  
 Y-Teen 1, 2  
 Chorus 1.

*Joanne Eber*

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Band 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Class V. Pres. 3  
 Band Pres. 3, 4  
 Senior Scholarship Test  
 O'Citian Staff 4  
 Totem Pole Staff 3  
 Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4  
 State Music Contest 3  
 Class Play 3  
 Minstrel 4.

*Robert D. Brand*

*Charles Hoan*

Baseball 3, 4  
 Basketball 3, 4  
 Stage crew 3, 4  
 Chorus  
 Minstrel 4  
 O'Citian Staff 4.

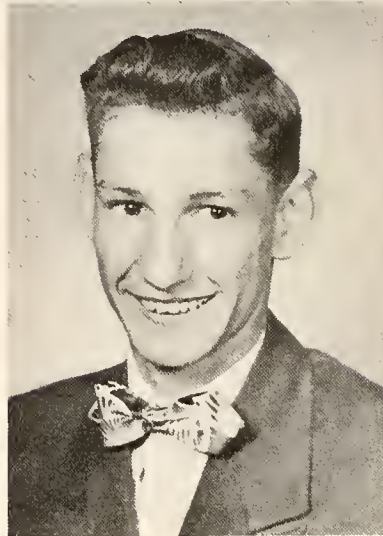






Class Treasurer 4  
 Class Historian 3, 4  
 Red Cross Treasurer 2, 3  
 Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Pianist 3, 4  
 Totem Pole Staff 1, 3, 4  
 Assistant Editor 3  
 Editor 4  
 Annual Staff 4  
 Class play 3  
 Librarian 1, 2, 3, 4  
 D. A. R. Citizenship test 4.

*Ikulma  
 Hephart  
 Melvin Hickert*



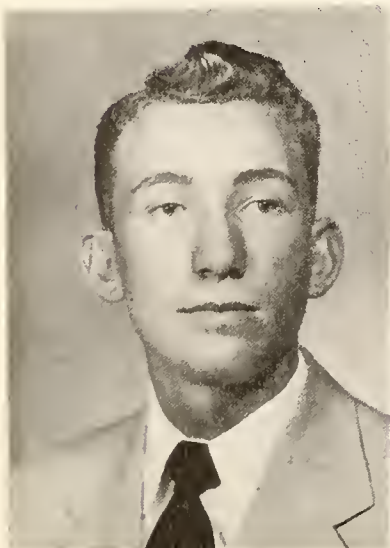
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 F.B.A. 4.

*Patty Hunter*

Girls Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Band 1, 2  
 Band Librarian 4  
 F. H. A. 2, 3, 4  
 Y-Teens 2, 3, 4  
 Reporter 3.



*Dick Galloway*



F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Sec. 2  
 Vice Pres. 3  
 Pres. 4  
 Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Projection 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Librarian 1  
 Class Play 3  
 Pres. of Student Council 4  
 F.F.A. Test 4.



F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Librarian 4  
 Newspaper Staff 2, 3, 4  
 Chorus 1, 4  
 Class Play 3  
 Junior Red 2.

*Pauline  
 Hoffmann*





Totem Pole Staff 1, 2  
 Class President 1  
 Annual Staff 4  
 Chorus 4  
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 State Scholarship Tests 1, 2.

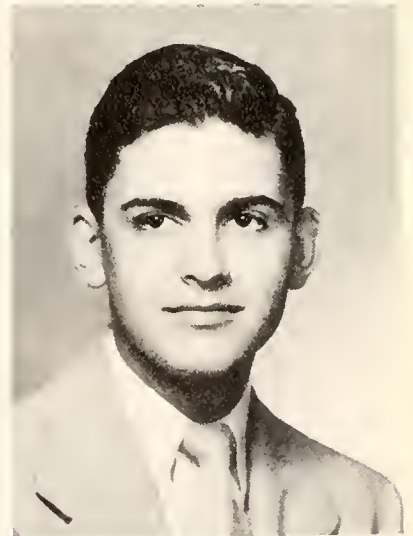
*Bob Good*



Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4  
 F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Mixed Chorus 1  
 Totem Pole Staff 2  
 Class Play Crew 3  
 F. H. A. President 4  
 Librarian 4  
 Y-Teen Reporter 2.

*Christine Pollak*

*Jack Smalley*

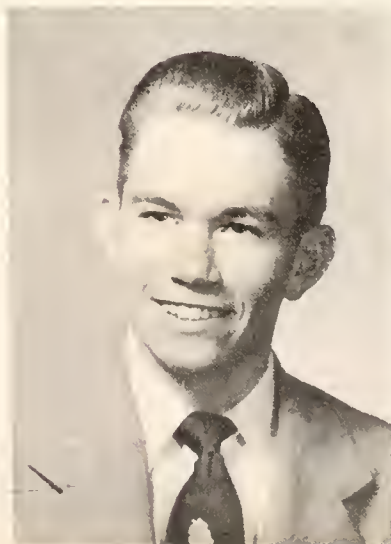


Totem-Pole Staff 1, 2  
 Class Reporter 3  
 Band 1, 3  
 Class Play 3  
 Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Projectionist 3  
 Annual Staff 4.



Girls Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Band Librarian 4  
 Class Reporter 2  
 F.H.A. 2, 3, 4: Treas. 4  
 Class Play 3  
 Librarian 4.

*Janice Ricketts*



Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4  
 F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Reporter 3  
 Vice President 4  
 Class President 3, 4  
 Class Play 3  
 Chorus 1, 2, 4  
 Band 1, 2, 4  
 Annual Staff 4  
 F.F.A. Scholarship Test 4  
 Totem Pole Staff 3  
 Council of Presidents 3, 4.

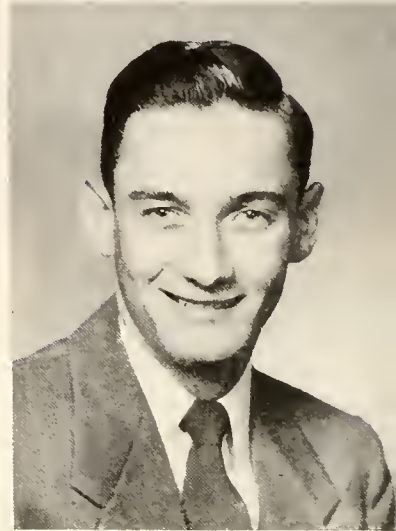
*Don Heber*



Y-Teens 1, 2  
Band 1, 2  
Chorus 1, 2, 3.

*Ellen Jean Schadt*

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4  
Baseball 3, 4  
Projectionist 1, 2, 3, 4  
Sr. Projectionist 4  
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4  
Chorus 3, 4  
Band 4  
FFA Treasurer 2, 3, 4  
Class Treasurer 1  
Class V. Pres. 4  
Band V. Pres. 4  
Annual Staff 4.



*Ned Scheidt*



Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4  
Vice-President 3  
President 4  
Class secretary 3, 4  
Band 1, 2, 3  
Librarian 1, 2, 4  
Class Play 3  
Make-up Crew 4  
Senior Scholarship Test 4  
President Council 4  
Totem Pole Staff 1, 2, 4.

*Marlene Wallace*



*Janet Mills*



Baseball 2, 3, 4  
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.

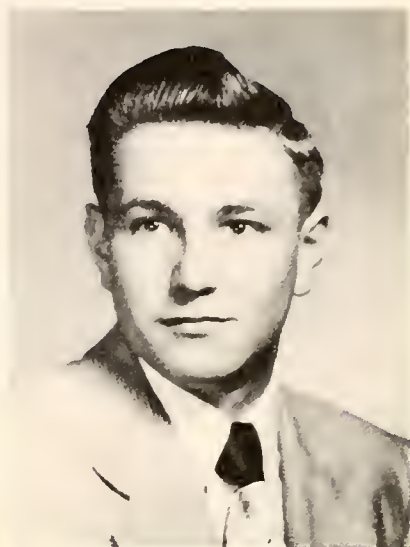
*Wavel Taylor*

Cheerleader 2, 3, 4  
Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4  
Secretary 3  
Totem Pole Staff 2, 3, 4  
Annual Staff 4  
Chorus 1, 4  
Class Secretary 1  
Treasurer 3  
Class Play 3  
Librarian 2, 3, 4



Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4  
 FFA 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Chorus 4

*Lloyd Tolson*



Basketball 1  
 FFA 1, 2, 3, 4

*Donald High*



FHA 2, 3, 4  
 Y-Teens 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Librarian 4  
 Chorus 1, 2

*Phyllis Witten*



Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4  
 O'citian Staff 4

*Clarence Mattinger*



# CLASS

May 22, 1953,  
That is the day we've been waiting to see.  
Twenty-nine graduates will march down the aisle,  
To receive their diploma, from our dear O. C. L.

Iris Baker, the first of our twenty-nine.  
In looks and books,  
Wow! She does fine.

Rosalind Bigham is a cute little girl,  
By her many boy friends she is kept in a whirl.

Lois Beach, a make-up expert,  
In Government class she is always alert.

A pretty blond is our Joanne,  
Some say she's tops in doing the can-can.

Phyllis Witten, the finest in the land,  
Is always ready to lend a helping hand.

Patty Hunter is our "Slim Jim"  
She always looks so nice and trim.

Pauline Hofmann, a real brunette,  
She rates a "1" in etiquette.

Ellen Schaadt has cheerful grin,  
She likes a guy by the name of Jim.

Janet Walls, a gay coquette,  
Leads our cheers with lots of pep.

The Totem Pole Editor, a secretary she'll be,  
Who else but Thelma Gephart,  
Could this one be?

Janice Ricketts keeps boys on the alert,  
It must be her friendly smile and her ability to flirt.

Christine Pollak, a career girl to be,  
Can prepare tasty dishes as easy as 1-2-3.

Bob Brand, a Hiedelberg fan he'll be,  
When he enters college next fall to study for his degree.

The F. F. A. president is Dick Galloway,  
"He'll be a June groom," I've heard some say.



# POEM

The editor of this book,  
None other than Bob G.  
Deserves a great big hand,  
As I'm sure you'll all agree.

A basketball hero, a curley haired guy,  
None other than Clarence, who is far from being shy.

Don High's ambition is to farm,  
Some day he'll marry some young charm.

Charles Doan is an all-round athlete,  
Connis is his gal, so girls no use to compete.

Charles Clouse is an all right guy,  
After taking Home Ec., I bet he bakes good pie.

Ned Scheidt is the guy,  
That rates a "1" in everyone's eye.

Bill Army, from Shawnee he came,  
Now he is Dorothy Jean's to gain.

A great big grin, a great big guy,  
This describes our president, Don,  
Who is always willing to try.

A very nice kid, his name is Jim,  
He's one who has a lot of vim.

Listen, everyone have you heard about the boy,  
Who has joined the Navy and is learning to say "AHOY"  
He's the guy of whom many gals are fond.  
Or did you know, his name is John.

The next on the list is our artist, Jack.  
He's a swell kid, in fact, not much does he lack.

Melvin Fickert, is always willing to work,  
If he has a job to do, he doesn't try to shirk.

Maybe you have wondered who counts your face,  
When at noon to the cafeteria you race,  
This is none other than Lloyd T.  
He knows the girls from A to Z.

Wavel Taylor has wavy hair,  
With anything he has, he is willing to share.

Last but not least, I hope,  
You finish the rest,  
I will sign off, THE DOPE.

# PROPHECY

Arriving at my destination in Hollywood, I drove my new convertible to the luxurious home of an old friend Marlene Wallace, who is now starring in a new Paramount picture, "Passion at Midnight."

Since I have a two weeks vacation Marlene decided to show me the sights of Hollywood. Our first night was spent at Ciro's where we ate a delicious meal prepared by Chef Charles Clouse. The floor show featured Joanne Ever as one of the world's greatest tap dancers. It was announced that we would be honored by a bass solo by none other than Ned Schiedt. Ned just finished a world wide concert tour.

The orchestra started playing "Blue Hawaii," which brought back memories of our Junior prom. Who should we see leading the orchestra but Don Keber. Setting at the next table were Janet and Dick Galloway who were vacationing in California. They left their twins home with the great artist Bob Good who was painting their portrait.

Marlene and I advertised for escorts in the "Times" whose editor was Thelma Gephart. Our charming escorts were Clarence Mottinger and Jack Smalley who took us to the hot rod races. We learned that Clarence is now pitcher for the Yankees, and that Jack is working on his drawing for the rebuilding of the Brooklyn Bridge. A big roar from the crowd brings our attention back to the races. Who should come in first but Bill Army. Passing the finish line his car turned over and burst into flame. His manager Don High called the ambulance. The doctor and nurse Ellen Schaadt rushed him to the hospital.

The next day we went shopping at "Pauline's Style Shop." Her merchandise manager is Lois Beach who visits Paris three times a year to bring back the most exclusive styles. Afterwards we stopped in a drugstore to find Wavel Taylor as manager of the Los Angeles branch of Pollak's Drug Store.

After saying goodbye to Marlene I started on my way back to New York. Traveling through Texas I stopped to inquire of the whereabouts of the Stetler Motel, whose manager was Janice Ricketts, when I saw Christine. She had just attended a school operetta in which her youngest daughter had a leading role. She told me that Patty Hunter is now the wife of a Colorado ranch owner.

My next stop was Ohio City. I learned that Melvin Fickert is going to quit farming and become the Secretary of Agriculture. Oh yes, Charles Doan is now the president of the United States. Lloyd Tolan is pretty busy these days, he just discovered an oil well on his farm.

Driving down main street of Ohio City for the last time I happened to glance at High's pool room. Written on the front in big letters was John Cramer, Assistant Manager. He obtained this position after serving five years as captain in the navy.

Jim Clouse has been promoted to a higher rank since our old school days. Instead of Jim running errands for Mr. Cress, Mr. Cress is now running errands for Jim.

I left Ohio City on a beautiful Sunday morning. Turning on the radio I heard the well-known evangelist Reverend Bob Speakman, whose wife is none other than Rosalind Bigham.

Arriving in New York I reported back to work. As news-reporter for "The Star" my first assignment was to cover the opening of a new television network in Florida. Deciding to fly down I boarded a Constellation to find Phyllis Witten a stewardess. I got my big story from Bob Brand who is the technical engineer of the new studio.

I am sure that the world has benefited from such an outstanding class as that of 1953.

Iris Baker

# BACCALAUREATE

May 24, 1953

Processional.	. . . . .	Mr. Evans and Mr. Green
Invocation	. . . . .	Rev. Ragon Chorus
Special Number	. . . . .	Quartette Chorus
Address		
Benediction.	. . . . .	Rev. Conrad
Recessional.	. . . . .	Mr. Evans and Mr. Green

# COMMENCEMENT

May 29, 1953

Processional.	Mr. Evans and Mr. Green
Invocation	Rev. Conrad
Vocal Solo	Ned Scheidt
Address	Rev. Clyde N. Rogers
Salutatory Address	
Piano Solo	Janet Walls
Valedictory Address	
Piano Solo	Thelma Gephart
Trumpet Solo	Bob Brand
Presentation of Class to Board of Education.	Mr. Cress
Presentation of Diploma	Mr. Ernest Walls
Recessional	Mr. Evans and Mr. Green



# SENIOR PERSONALITY

## MOST ATHLETIC

Clarence Mottinger  
Janet Walls

## BIGGEST JOKER

Lois Beach  
Jack Smalley

## MOST TALENTED

Thelma Gephart  
Bob Brand

## MOST BASHFUL

Phyllis Witten  
Melvin Fickert

## KINDEST

Marlene Wallace  
Don Keber

## BIGGEST EATER

Christine Pollak  
Bill Amny

## MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

Thelma Gephart  
Bob Good

## MOST POPULAR

Janet Walls  
Dick Galloway

## MOST TALKATIVE

Lois Beach  
Jack Smalley

## MOST DEPENDABLE

Marlene Wallace  
Don Keber

## SMARTEST

Thelma Gephart  
Bob Good

## HAPPIEST

Iris Baker  
Don Keber

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I, Charles Clouse, will my ability to get off campus permits to go to Van Wert to anyone who can think of enough excuses to tell Mr. Cress, and my clean unsoiled basketball uniform to Ronald Putman.

I, Thelma Gephart, do hereby will my position as Totem Pole editor to Barbara Brubaker and all the good times I have enjoyed to anyone who doesn't like school.

I, Janice Ricketts, do hereby will my position as F.H.A. Treasurer to anyone who can keep up with Miss Dull and Mr. Green and some of my height to Linda Cowan.

I, Phyllis Witten, do hereby will my ability to be quiet in fourth period study hall to Ronald Putman.

I, Christine Pollak, do hereby will my position as F.H.A. president to anyone who is willing to work in the rumpus room at noon, and some of my weight and height to Jerry Kohn.

I, Charles Doan, will my ability to be a "safe" driver to Coach Clark, so I won't be afraid on the highways when I go to see Connie.

I, Clarence Mottinger do hereby will my "Registration Card" and position on the basketball team to Ronnie Brown, but will keep that certain girl from Delphos to myself.

# UNDER CLASSMEN



# JUNIORS



1ST ROW: Bill Stutz, Jerry White, Bob Emerick, Charles Rice, Lee Pontsler, Bob Williams. 2ND ROW: Mr. Lechleidner, John Hoffman, Bob Army, Janice Morgan, Rhea Boroff, Jack Tribolet, Tom Ainsworth, Charles Putman. 3RD ROW: Patty Brubaker, Connie Straw, Barbara Brubaker, Belle Bigham, Marjianne Edwards, Sally Beach, Mary Adelblue, Ellen Stump.



## OFFICERS

President- Charles Putman  
 Vice-President- Ellen Stump  
 Treasurer- Connie Straw  
 Secretary- Patty Brubaker



# FRESHMEN



1ST ROW-Marilyn Stuckey, Marcia Scheidt, Donna Straw, Ruth Rice, Londa Andrews, Connie Hoverman. 2ND ROW-Gregg Gardner, Rodney Smith, Don Army, Peter Witten, John Adelblue, Billy Boroff, Mr. Hadley. 3RD ROW-Bruce Baker, David Bigham, Jim Dull, Walter Cramer, Dick Clouse, Ronnie Putman, Donald Cowgill.

# SOPHOMORE



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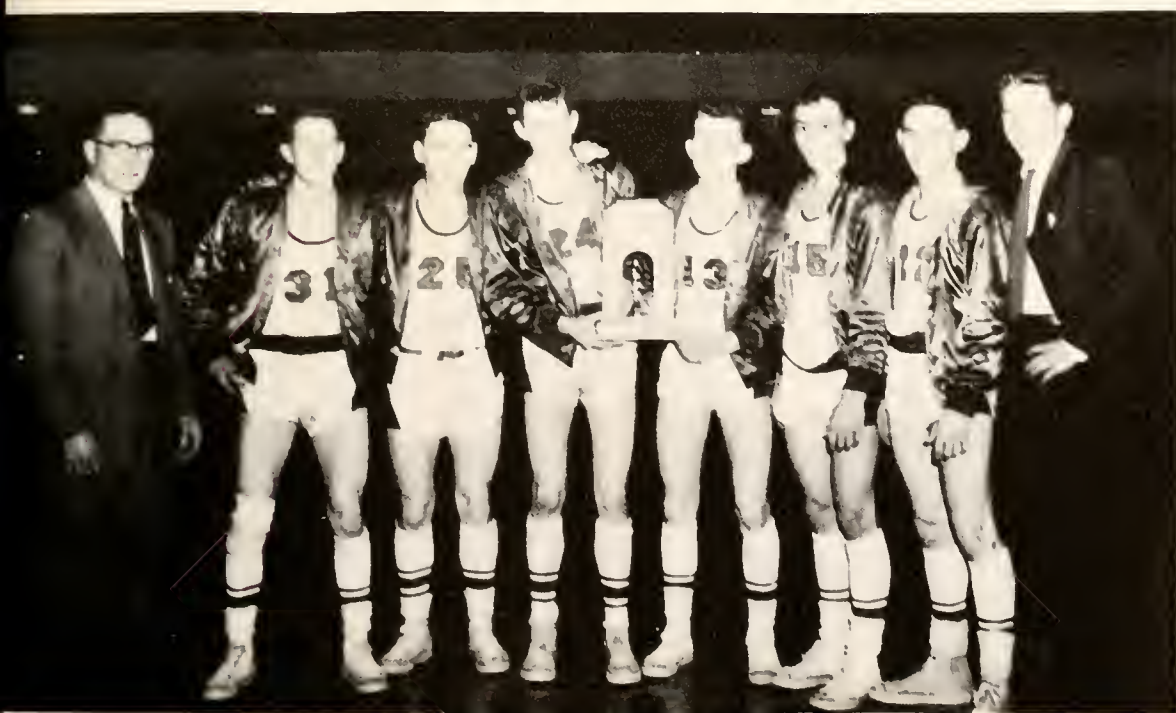


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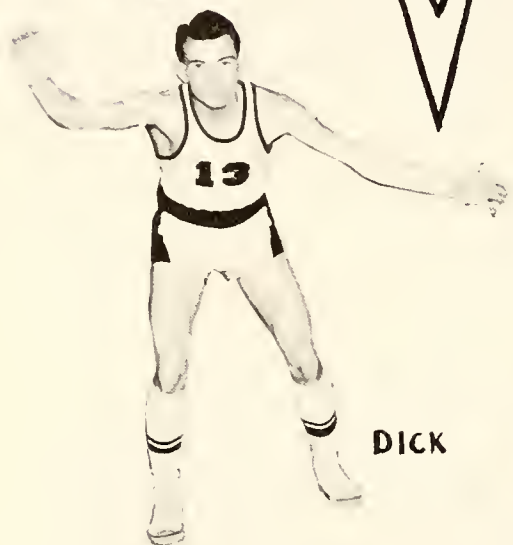


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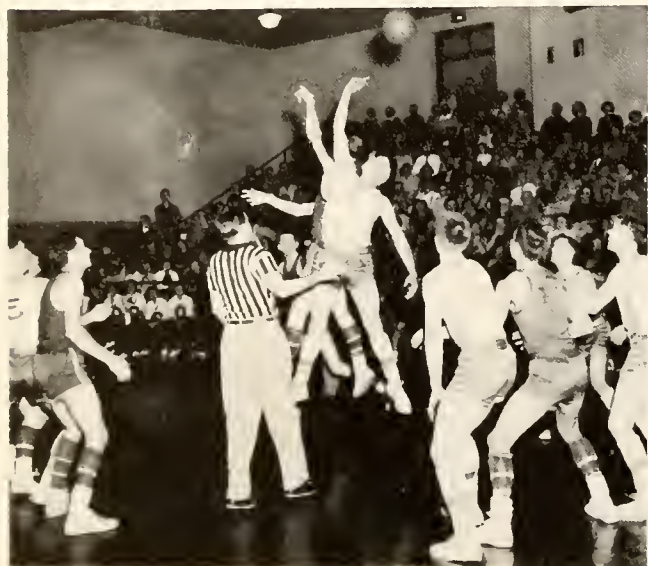
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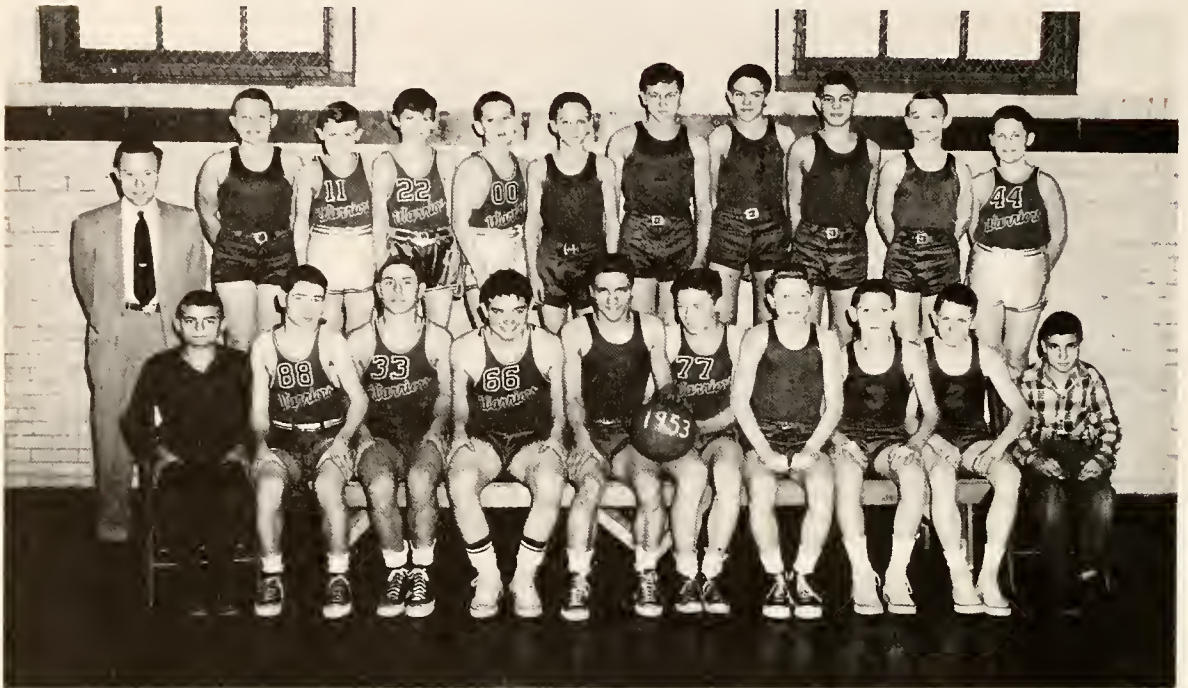


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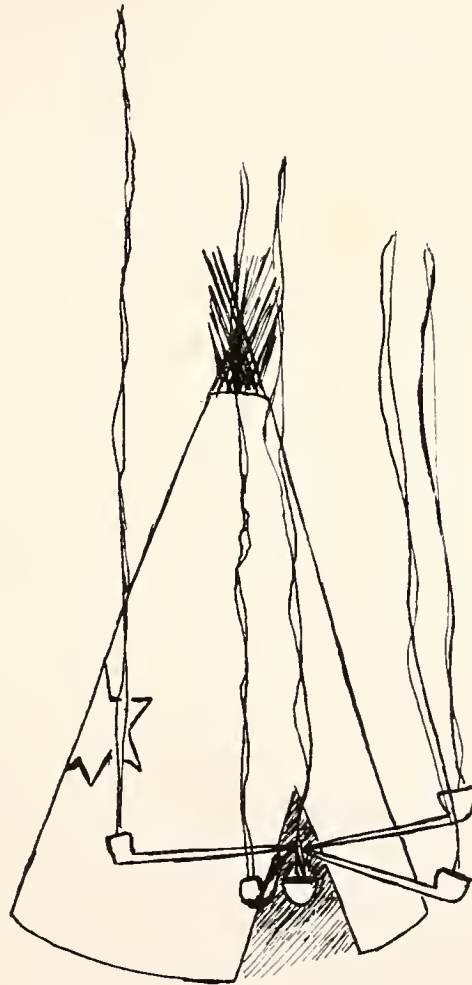
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# CALENDAR

1952			26	Patty Hunter's birthday	
			29	Group pictures taken	
			30	Game with Wren	
Sept.	8	School started	Feb.	2	Y-Teen Banquet at YWCA
	15	Pauline Hofmann's birthday		3	St. Henry edges Ohio City
		Elected officers		6	Sophomore assembly
	27	Junior class scrap drive			Game with Hoaglin Jackson
Oct.	5	Bob Brand's birthday		13	Convoy edges Ohio City
	8	County testing program		20	F.H.A. assembly
	9	Janice Ricketts' birthday			Ohio City wins county tournament
	10	Initiation for Freshmen	March	3	Lois Beach's birthday
	19	Charles Clouse's birthday		6	7th grade assembly
	21	Van Wert County teacher's banquet		10	Y-Teen free night at YWCA
	24	NWOTA--no school		11	Senior scrap drive
	29	Junior class play		20	Band concert
	30	Van Wert Halloween festival		24	Dick Galloway's birth.
				28	Wavel Taylor's birth.
Nov.	4	Iris Baker's birthday		31	Band festival at Convoy-Union
	5	Fall festival			
	7	Game with Grover Hill	April	2-7	Spring vacation
	9	Phyllis Witten's birthday		4	Thelma Gephart's birthday
	12	Open house		4	Teacher's banquet
		Bill Army's birthday		17	8th grade state test
	14	Mr. Turner from Ada spoke to student body		23	Lloyd Tolan's birthday
	18	Basketball game with Mendon		24	Senior Class Play
	20	Janet Wall's birthday		26	Melvin Fickert's birth.
	21	Game with Monmouth		28	Vocal festival at Convoy-Union
	25	Minstrel by chorus			
	26	Assembly given by Y-Teens	May	8	Junior and Senior Prom
		Ohio City outscored Van Del		9	Joanne Eber's birthday
	27-28	Thanksgiving vacation		13	Senior Assembly
				14-15	Exams for Seniors
Dec.	5	Ohio City trounces York		24	Baccalaureate
	6	Game with Haviland		26-27	Final Exams
	9	Game with Rockford		27	Kindergarten Commencement
	13	Senior chile supper		28	Bob Good's birthday
		Ball game with Paulding		29	Commencement
	19	Grade school operetta			
	23	Christmas assembly	June	5	Rosalind Bigman's birthday
		Christmas vacation starts			
	25	Christine Pollock's birthday	July	3	Jack Smalley's birth.
				11	Charles Doan's birth.
				21	Jim Clouse's birthday
1953				24	Ellen Schaad's birth
Jan.	2	School re-opens	August	25	Marlene Wallace's birthday
	5	Don Keber's birthday			
	8	Don High's birthday			
	9	John Cramer's birthday			
	18	Clarence Mottinger's birthday			
	20	Grover Hill ball game			
		Senior cake raffle			
	22-23	Semester exams			
	23	F.F.A. assembly			
		Game with Willshire			
	24	Ned Scheidt's birthday			





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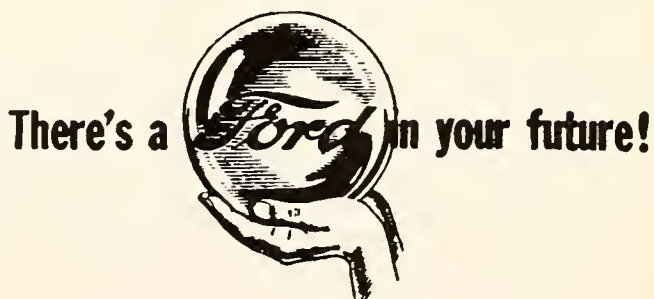
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